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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 166
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A RESOLUTION To recognize Emily Edler for earning the Girl Scout Gold Award.

WHEREAS, At a time when this nation's youth face difficult challenges, the Girl Scouts of America is one of our finest assets, providing young ladies with an educational program that contributes significantly to their character development, citizenship training, and improved mental and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, Emily Edler, after considerable effort and diligent preparation, has earned the highest award a Girl Scout can attain, the prestigious Girl Scout Gold Award; and

WHEREAS, The Girl Scout Gold Award honors girls who demonstrate an exceptional commitment to their communities and an outstanding dedication to achievement; and

WHEREAS, To attain the award, a Senior Girl Scout must earn four interest patches, the Senior Girl Scout Challenge pin, the Career Exploration pin, and the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, which requires a minimum of 30 hours of work involving leadership skills; and

WHEREAS, In addition to these seven recognitions, she must plan and carry out a Girl Scout Gold Award project, which requires at least 50 hours of work; and

WHEREAS, Gold Award recipients are eligible for special college scholarships, are recognized by the United States government, and have preferred status when applying for jobs with many prospective employers; and

WHEREAS, For her Gold Award project, Emily worked diligently to support her congregation's youth group mission work and to stimulate her peers' interest in the rewards of volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, She assisted the Youth Minister of Our Lady of Fatima in organizing 43 youth to attend the "Just Living" Camp in Ocoee; they made a significant impact on the community by working with an environmental agency, a Boys' and Girls' Club, a nursing home, Habitat for Humanity, a food pantry, and Horn's Creek Social Justice Camp; and

WHEREAS, Emily also composed an informational brochure to improve the awareness of Tennessee's native wildflowers; due to her efforts, many people will be able to become informed connoisseurs of the natural beauty of this State; and

WHEREAS, The daughter of Missy Satterfield and Joe Edler, Emily is a Senior at Maryville High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society; a multi-talented young lady, she has been a member of the orchestra for the past four years, and she lettered in cross-country for three seasons; and

WHEREAS, Emily is a highly respected leader among her peers; she was a delegate to the National Youth Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C, attended the Tennessee Governor's School for International Studies, and participated in the Model United Nations; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that we should pause to recognize Emily as one of the most outstanding young people in our state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Emily Edler for her meritorious service to the state of Tennessee, congratulate her on her noteworthy achievement of the Girl Scout Gold Award, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

